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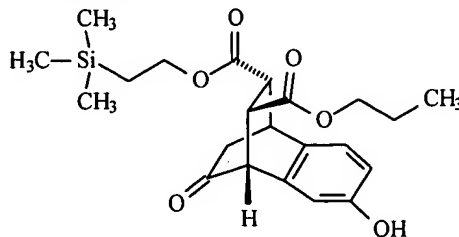
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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

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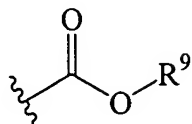
This is in response to the Election of Species Requirement, mailed July 24, 2003, wherein the Examiner contended that Claims 1-82 of the above-identified patent application are generic to a plurality of disclosed patentably distinct species comprising the compounds defined by formula (I). In particular, Applicants are required under 35 U.S.C. 121 to elect a single disclosed species, even though this requirement may be traversed. In addition, the Examiner respectfully requested that the elected species be explicitly defined in terms of the variables of formula (I).

Accordingly, Applicants elect the compound specifically claimed in Claim 55, *i.e.*, the compound of the following formula:



This election is made without traverse.

As requested by the Examiner, this compound is a compound of formula (I) wherein R^1 is selected from the formula:

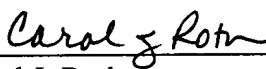


(where R^9 is selected from an organic group having 1-30 carbons); R^2 is $-OR^9$ (where R^9 is selected from an organic group having 1-30 carbons and containing 1-4 heteroatoms selected from silicon); R^3 is hydrogen, R^4 and R^5 together from the $=O$ group, R^6 is hydrogen and n is 0.

The above-elected species reads on Claims 1, 8, 10-19, 21-23, 25-26, 32-33, 41, 44, 46-51, 60, 62-72, 74-75, and 77-82.

Applicants respectfully request consideration of the claimed subject matter in light of this election of species.

Respectfully submitted,
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